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Serial No.: 10/632,542 Group Art Unit: 2875
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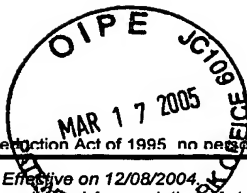
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Other References

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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

<u>Total Claims</u> 52 - 52 = 0 or HP = 0	<u>Extra Claims</u> 0	<u>Fee (\$)</u> 0	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> 0.00	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u> <u>Fee (\$)</u> 0	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> 0
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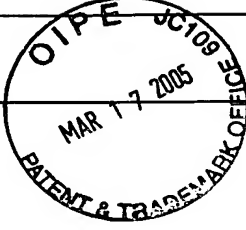
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